REMARKS

1. Status of Claims

Claims 1-3 are pending. claims 4-5 have been cancelled by this communication. Claims 1 and 2 are amended by this communication.

II. Pending Claims Patentable Over Cited References

The Examiner rejects claims 1-4 under 35 USC §103 as being unpatentable under U.S. Patent Number 5,727,751 in view of U.S. Patent Number 4,759,510 and Mount.

Applicant respectfully asserts that the claims are patentable over the references. Applicant's claim calls for two scented materials — a scented bead 60 and scented oil 70. The cited references, as acknowledged by the Examiner, have only one scented material. The scented material in Singer is a material which saturates a micro porous pellet 14. The pellet itself is not scented. The material in Liu is simply shown as an aromatic bead 54.

Applicant's specification supports the recitation of two scented materials. To support Applicant's use of the terms first and second scenting materials, applicant's specification taken as a whole must only support the language. See in Re Wright 866 F. 2nd 422 (Fed. Cir. 1989). The written description requirement may be satisfied by drawings alone. See Vas-Cath Inc. v. Maherkar 935 F 2d 1999 (Fed.Cir 1991). Exact terms are not required. Id. Applicant's drawings and specification teach and disclose the use of two scented materials. The first paragraph at page 3 specifically recites the roller has scented beads 60 and a layer of scented oil 70 disposed over the scented beads 60. Figures 9 and 10 show the scented bead 60 as a distinct

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and separate material and the scented oil 70 as distinct from scented bead 60. This clearly

describes a first and second scented material.

Also, the last paragraph, read in context of the previous disclosure, makes it clear there

are two separate scented materials. The last paragraph states beads 60 are made of plastic. The

beads 60 are scented. The structure 60 by itself is described as scented and is shown as a

separate feature in the drawings. The last paragraph goes on to say there is a layer of scented oil

70 over the secreted beads. Giving meaning and context to Applicant's choice of words and

drawings, supports a construction in which there are two scented materials -- scented beads 60

and the scented oil 70.

As the cited references disclose a single scented material, Applicant respectfully requests

the Examiner issue a Notice of Allowance.

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